

Center for Educational Performance and Information

This page is being posted as a courtesy resource for the Educational Entity Master (EEM). Any messages that previously have been posted to the authorized users of the School Code Master (SCM), and/or that you may have missed, are here in one document.

Sent 5/1/08 to all authorized users of the SCM Application.

The Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI), in coordination with other state departments (e.g., Michigan Department of Education, Department of Labor and Economic Growth, Michigan Department of Corrections, Department of Community Health, etc.) and our vendor, Compuware, are developing a new School Code Master (SCM) application. The new application will provide users with more data, and a more user-friendly interface to record information about education providers in Michigan. Similar to the current School Code Master, the new application will serve as the data collection foundation and will link to other data collection applications. The target deployment date for the new application is September 30, 2008.

Development work, in-house review, and testing continue with Compuware. A high-level schedule for testing and training is listed below.

- o User Acceptance Testing Summer 2008
- o State and District Testing June and July 2008
- o Train-the Trainer Sessions (Statewide) August 2008
- o Local Training of SCM Authorized users September 2008 (Suggested)
- o Launch September 30, 2008

Please watch the CEPI Web site for updates and news as we know it. Thank you for your time and interest.

The CEPI School Data Team

Sent 7/9/08 to all authorized users of the SCM Application.

As our May 1 e-mail message stated, the Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI), in coordination with other state departments (e.g., Michigan Department of Education, Department of Labor and Economic Growth, Michigan Department of Corrections, Department of Community Health, etc.) and our vendor, Compuware, are developing a replacement for the School Code Master (SCM) application called the Educational Entity Master (EEM). The EEM will collect educational entity identities and characteristics in a concise and accurate manner in a single online directory. As the EEM directory will be the foundation for all educational data collection in Michigan, we are excited about the improvements and overall functionality of the new system. CEPI will periodically apprise you of our shared efforts on the development of the new system.

On May 20, a group of five district data users joined the state of Michigan project staff in usability testing of the new application. The initial results of this early testing process yielded a list of enhancements and improvements to be considered by the project team during the initial development phase of the EEM. The comments from the district staff centered on improvements to screen layout and on process flow between screens. CEPI is pleased to have had the opportunity to involve actual users in the initial development process and in the review and feedback at this early stage in the process. The application is currently undergoing user acceptance testing by state personnel as well as additional district end-user testing by volunteer districts over the summer months.

The target deployment date for the new application is October 4, 2008. A high-level schedule for testing and training is listed below:

- o State personnel and district testing late June, July and August 2008
- o Seven regional Train-the-Trainer Sessions at intermediate school districts (ISD) August 2008
- o Local training of SCM/EEM authorized users by ISD trainers September 2008 (Suggested)

o Launch – October 4, 2008

Please watch the CEPI Web site for updates and news as we know it. Thank you for your time and interest.

The CEPI School Data Team